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In re Application of: MOSBACH et al.

Serial No.: 09/305,738

Art Unit: 1641

Filed: May 6, 1999

Examiner: CEPERLEY, M

For: ARTIFICIAL ANTIBODIES, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME AND USE
THEREOF

REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 181(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-referenced application. The applicants received a March 23, 2001 Notice of Abandonment indicating that the above-referenced application had been abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to an August 24, 2000 Office Action because, allegedly, the U.S.P.T.O. had not received a response. However, applicants submit that a timely response was filed on December 8, 2000 together with a one month extension of time, and provide herewith copies of the filed documents and a postcard acknowledging their receipt. Accordingly, applicants submit that the application was abandoned in error and respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment.

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AUTHORIZATIONS

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deport Account No. 13-4503, Order No. 2324-7028US1. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,

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